

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 22

By Overbey

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Harold "Sonny" Lambert of Maryville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Harold "Sonny" Lambert; and

WHEREAS, Harold Lambert was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, after attending the University of Tennessee (UT) and Tulane University, Mr. Lambert worked for a powder company, only to leave and work with his father at the family-owned stone business, Lambert Brothers Inc., in 1951. The rock crushing company became the nation's largest rock quarrying crushing operation; and

WHEREAS, Lambert Brothers Inc. was sold to Vulcan Materials in 1957, and Mr. Lambert rose through the ranks to become president of Vulcan Material's Mid-South Division, retiring in 1994; and

WHEREAS, a lover of sports, Harold Lambert had attended UT football games since his childhood, and he regularly attended sporting events at Maryville College, where his son coaches the men's basketball team; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lambert championed many worthy causes, including the Boy Scouts of America, the Girl Scouts, Clayton Center for the Arts, American Cancer Society, Alzheimer's Tennessee, PJ Parkinson's Support Group, Maryville City Schools Foundation, Pellissippi State Community College, University of Tennessee-Knoxville, Maryville College, and a charitable remainder trust to benefit UT men's athletic programs; and

WHEREAS, Harold Lambert was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Harold Lambert enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Jean Teffeteller Lambert, for sixty-six years before her own passing, and he was the proud father of Randy Lambert, Kathy Howard, and Sherry Miller; and

WHEREAS, both Mr. Lambert and his wife, Jean, were awarded the Maryville College Medallion, the highest honor presented by the institution. The Lambert Wing of Bartlett Hall and the Harold and Jean Lambert Recital Hall at the Clayton Center on the Maryville College campus are named in the couple's honor; and

WHEREAS, Howard Lambert leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Harold "Sonny" Lambert, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Lambert.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.